

COUNCIL OF THE FACULTY OF ARTS AND SCIENCE

Minutes of the meeting held on Friday, October 5, 1979

Present: J. Chaikelson, Chairman, R. Breen, D. Taddeo, M. Cohen, J. Princz, R. Martin, M. Armstrong, B. Barkman, M. Brian, C. Campbell, R.J. Cannon, S. Dubas, T. Goguen, M. Girio, T. Gray, D. Haccoun, A. Hamalian, B. Honnig, R. Kepes, J. Kornblatt, K. Kusano, J. Lightstone, J. Macaluso, S. McEvenue, S. Mullett, D. Murphy, B. Petrie E. Preston, B. Sahni, G.P. Sassano, S. Scheinberg, B. Slack, R. Tekel, G. Trudel.

Absent with Regrets: R. Wall, M. Euvrard, H. Habib, M. Malik, M. Uprichard

Guests: M. Baldwin, V. Zeman, C. Nish

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 2:20 p.m.

2. Approval of Agenda

The Chairman requested that Item 9 on the agenda be removed saying that the Report on the Centre for Interdisciplinary Studies was not yet completed. In place of that item, she asked that a Report on Repetition of Courses, which was to be discussed at Senate, be included.

79-9-1 It was removed and seconded (McEvenue/Trudel) to approve the agenda, as amended. Vote: CARRIED

3. Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the meeting of September 14th were not circulated.

4. Chairman's Remarks

Dr. Chaikelson reported on the last meeting of Senate (September 28th) saying that those appointed to the Advisory Search Committee, Dean Division I. were P. Cohen (Fine Arts) and G.B. English (Commerce and Administration); the change in the composition of the Arts and Science Council was accepted as recommended and will go forward to the Board of Governors; the Council's report on Guidelines for Courses and Programmes within Smaller Units was again tabled. Dr. Chaikelson added that the Honours Regulations for the Faculty of Arts and Science, approved last April, has had a number of minor editorial changes made in it by the Steering Committee, on the recommendation of U.C.C.C., and will be presented to the Senate at its next meeting.

The Chairman welcomed the new student members of Council - R.J. Cannon, B. Honnig, M. Girio and T. Goguen.

5. Question Period

A. Telephones

In reply to the question of what had happened to the telephone situation, Dr. Breen said that the subject was one of the major items to be discussed at RACCA that week. He said he would report on the outcome of that discussion at the next meeting of Council.

B. Changing the Start of Council Meetings

The Chairman raised the question of starting Council meetings earlier than 2:15 p.m.

Prof. Brian objected to changing the meeting schedule at this time when the members timetables for the year had been set to accommodate Council meetings.

79-9-2 It was moved and seconded (Scheinberg/Brian) to set the meetings of Council at an earlier hour next year and that for this session, to ask the Chairman to endeavor to end the meetings as early as possible.
Vote: CARRIED.

It was suggested that those who have to leave early have the right to ask that those items of particular interest to them be moved up on the agenda.

The matter was referred to Steering Committee.

6. Announcements

Dr. Brian announced that Francis Scott, the eminent writer was "in Residence" in the English Department this year and would be pleased to meet with faculty and students whose interest in research was in his field.

7. Elections

A. Advisory Search Committee - Dean, Division I

The Chairman reported that both Prof. Widdows and Prof. Davis had resigned from the Vice-Rector's Advisory Search Committee because of Thursday evening teaching commitments.

As a replacement for the Division I representative, Steering Committee nominated Prof. Kawczak (Philosophy).

The Chairman called for nominations from the floor.

Prof. Lightstone nominated Prof. Clair Fischer (Com. Studies).

Prof. Hamalian nominated Prof. Jordan (French).

79-9-3 It was moved and seconded (Armstrong/Haccoun) to close nominations.
CARRIED

Prof. Fischer was elected to represent Division I on a run-off ballot between Prof. Fischer and Jordan.

To replace Prof. Davis in Other Divisions Steering Committee nominated Prof. Slack (Geography) and Prof. Bauer (Psychology).

There were no nominations from the floor.

Prof. Slack was elected on the first ballot.

Ms. Marlene Tash was nominated as student representative for Graduate students.

She was elected by acclamation.

The undergraduate student nominees were Robert Cannon and Bonnie Honnig.

They were elected by acclamation.

B. Faculty Appeal Committee - academic re-evaluation (undergraduate)

Steering Committee's nominees for the position of alternate member for a one-year term were C.E. Eappen (Physics) and J.H. Bauer (Psych.).

There were no nominations from the floor.

Prof. Bauer was elected on the first ballot.

The students who were nominated to the committee and elected by acclamation are Joy Aaron and Cathy Torchia as Members Robert Kepes and Tristan Goguen as Alternate members.

C. Ad Hoc Committee to Study the Grading System as it Affects the Faculty of Arts and Science

Maria Girio was nominated to serve as the students representative on the committee.

There were no nominations from the floor.

Ms. Girio was declared elected by acclamation.

D. Steering Committee

The Chairman reported that Ms. Rose Tekel, who was elected to the Steering Committee at the last meeting had found it necessary to resign because of other commitments. Dr. Chaikelson referred to the list of the remaining members from Division IV sitting on Council. She added that although Prof. Nish was present at the meeting, as a replacement for Prof. Gollner, an official statement had not yet been received to confirm the change.

79-9-4 It was moved and seconded (McEvenue/Macaluso) that, for the purpose of election to Steering Committee, Prof. Nish be considered to be the representative of Division IV. Vote: CARRIED

Prof. Brian nominated Prof. Armstrong.

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79-9-5 It was moved and seconded (Brian/McEvenue) to close nominations. Vote: CARRIED

Prof. Armstrong was elected to Steering Committee on the first ballot.

Robert Kepes was nominated by the students to serve on Steering Committee.

79-9-6 It was moved and seconded (Scheinberg/Dubas) to close nominations. Vote: CARRIED

Mr. Kepes was elected to the Steering Committee by acclamation.

8. Curriculum Committee Report

Course Changes for 1980-81 (ASFC 79-9-Doc. 2 (Abridged Version) and addendum to ASFC 79-9-D2.

The Chairman invited Acting Asst. Dean Zeman to comment on the report in Dr. Adley's absence.

In his opening remarks Prof. Zeman said that the submission from the Simone de Beauvoir Institute had been withdrawn (page 97), and that page 48 (Centre for Interdisciplinary Studies) had been omitted from the earlier document.

- 79-9-7 It was moved and seconded (Gray/Hamalian) to accept the Curriculum Committee's Report on Course Changes 1980-81. Vote: CARRIED

The submission for the Centre for Interdisciplinary Studies was not changed.

- 79-9-8 It was moved and seconded (Armstrong/Martin) to place a note below German C251, Italian C251, and Spanish C251 to indicate that students who have taken the course numbered 250 in these subjects "may not take this course for credit". Vote: CARRIED

It was agreed that the title of Modern Languages C300 Special Topics in the Study of a Modern Language should be changed to "General Topics" to agree with the other "Topics" course (C301).

The suggestion was made that, under B.A. Honours in Linguistics (page 89), the final entry be changed to: "12 credits in consultation with the Department in, for example, one of the following: Latin, Greek,...". This suggestion was accepted as an editorial change.

Prof. Hamalian drew attention to the fact that the acronym for Adult Education should be "ADED" rather than "ADUL" as given on page 94. The correction was accepted.

No other changes were made in the Education submission.

- 79-9-9 It was moved and seconded (Gray/Martin) to table the submission from the Simon de Beauvoir Institute. Vote: CARRIED

(It was understood that the courses had been withdrawn by the Institute)

- 79-9-10 It was moved and seconded (Scheinberg/Trudel) to table the report on Social Science 110. Vote: CARRIED

(The members of Council were under the impression that the course had not been discussed in Curriculum Committee.)

- 79-9-11 It was moved and seconded (Gray/Barkman) to table the report from the Centre for Teaching English as a Second Language. Vote: CARRIED

(Again, it was understood that because of a misunderstanding, this submission had not been discussed in Curriculum Committee).

There were no changes made in the reports for Health Education/Biophysical Education/Andragogy or the School of Community and Public Affairs.

It was moved and seconded (Gray/Hamalian) to approve the Curriculum Committee Report on Course Changes 1980-81, as amended.

Vote: CARRIED

Repetition of Courses (ASFC 79-9-Doc. 3)

The Chairman explained that the existing regulations on repetition of courses apply to the Faculty of Engineering, Faculty of Commerce and Administration, the Sir George Williams Arts and Science students, but not to the Loyola Students. She went on to say that it was the intention of Senate to have these regulations apply University-wide but that senators were unhappy with that suggestion. The Registrar was then asked to prepare a statement for submission to Senate. Dr. Chaikelson requested that it be made available for discussion in Council prior to the Senate meeting (the report was circulated at the meeting).

Following a lengthy discussion on the pros and cons of the statements in the report, a straw vote was taken on the questions which concerned the members most. The results were as follows:

A. Repetition of Failed Courses

1. In the statement on repetition of courses, there should be included a paragraph advising students of their right to appeal to the Student Requests Committee for permission to a) take the course a third time b) replace the required course with another. AGREED
2. in general, a student may repeat a failed course once.

Members of Council were in favour of retaining this regulation on the condition that the right to appeal would be included with that statement.

B. Repetition of a course in which a pass grade has been achieved

3. Should a student, under any circumstances, be allowed to repeat a course already passed? YES
4. If a course already passed is repeated, can the new grade be used:
 - a) Internally for upgrading? NO
 - b) for upgrading for external use only (the new grade to appear on the cumulative record with zero credit value)? YES
5. Recommendation 4 - concerning when a student must repeat a failed course that is required - should be deleted. AGREED

(The reasons given for deletion of 4 was that the regulation is unenforceable, many courses in the Arts Faculty are offered only on one particular night, many courses would not be offered in the next session.)

No motions were proposed concerning the report, but the Chairman said that she would carry the opinions of the members to Senate.

10. Other Business

Dissatisfaction with the data generated by the computer was voiced as well as the lack of availability of the kind of information needed.

11. Next Meeting

Tuesday, October 23, 1979 (to consider graduation lists - closed meeting).

Friday, November 2, 1979.

12. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 4:55 p.m.

J. Chaikelson, Chairman

M. Osborne, Secretary